

(d) Yes.

(e) Within a maximum of 15 to 20 miles.

(f) If cases of hardship are brought to notice, they will be enquired into.

(g) Yes. Representations are reported to have been received for the establishment of an additional office and they are being examined by the Head of the Department.

(h) To appoint a Probationary Sub-Registrar for 4 months from March to June at Chamarajanagar.

To bifurcate the office by opening an office at Kuderu for the entire hoblis of Santhamarahalli and Ummathur.

To appoint a Joint-Sub-Registrar.

(i) Kuderu.

(j) Yes.

(k) and (l). Will be considered.

MR. S. V. GURUMURTHYACHAR (Minority Interest).—

Q.—54. Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(a) The reason to group the *Viswakarmas* with *Nagarthars* and *Vysyas* ?

(b) Did the *Viswakarma* community agree to its being grouped in that manner or did the Government obtain the opinion of the *Viswakarma* community for doing so ?

(c) Is it a fact that other backward communities have changed their names and have expressed a desire to adopt the same ?

(d) Why have not the Government designated this community as *Viswakarmas* instead of *Panchalas* even though there were representations to Government to that effect ?

(e) Will the Government now at least be pleased to designate this community which consists of 132,187 population as the *Viswakarmas* ?

CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.—

A.—54. (a) to (e). The question will be left over for decision at the time of the next census.

MR. S. V. GURUMURTHYACHAR (Minority Interest, Sravanabelagola).—

Q.—55. Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(a) Will the Government be pleased to afford as much facilities to this most backward community as they are

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giving to other communities by the opening of hostels and thus see that education is made compulsory for this most industrially inclined community?

(b) Why have they neglected this community in the matter of giving sufficient encouragement for their industry?

(c) Will they agree to grant a suitable scholarship and depute to foreign countries a student of this community to get himself trained in Photo Block?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENTS.—

A.—55. (a) If the community opens hostels and applies for grant, the application will be considered.

(b) Government are not aware that the community has been neglected.

(c) Will be considered if there is a suitable applicant.

MR. S. V. GURUMURTHYACHAR (Minority Interest).—

Q.—56. Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) Why they have not given encouragement to the *Viswakarma* community by means of grants, the members of which are skilled workers in gold, silver, brass, etc.?

(b) If grants have been given, will they be pleased to furnish statistics of grants so given from January 1927 to end of August 1929?

(c) If not, will they at least agree to afford assistance to them by the grant of loans repayable in easy instalments to such of the deserving men of that community on the security of their immovable properties?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENTS.—

A.—56. (a) and (c). The rules provide for the grant of loans to the public for agricultural, industrial and commercial purposes. Whenever applications are made under the rules, they are duly considered.

(b) As the community to which grantees of loans belong is not ascertainable from the loan records, this information is not readily available.

MR. P. H. CHANDRABHAN SINGH (Minority Interest).—

Q.—57. Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) The population of Rajput community in the State?